

putting the dried quartz or high aluminum-oxide-containing tube into a stove, which is maintained at the temperature between 780 to 880°C, to bake for 10 to 14 hours; and

retrieving the tube after the temperature in the stove is below 110°C, and putting the tube under room temperature.

Please add the following new claims:

--9. (New) The method according to claim 1, wherein the quartz or high aluminum-oxide-containing tube is an electrode of an ozone generator.

10. (New) The method according to claim 1, further comprising using the gilded quartz or high aluminum-oxide-containing tube as an electrode of an ozone generator.--.

REMARKS

I. Introduction

With the addition of new claims 9 and 10, claims 1 to 10 are pending in the present application, with claims 6 to 8 having been withdrawn from consideration. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants note with appreciation the acknowledgment of the claim for foreign priority and the indication that all certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

Applicants note that an Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 paper and a cited reference were filed on September 24, 2002. However, an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 paper was not returned. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the reference cited in the Information Disclosure Statement and respectfully request a copy of the initialed PTO-1449 paper with the next Office communication.